

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR'S GLORIA MOLINA
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On June 2, 1998, the Board adopted an Allocation and Distribution Plan for the City of Industry Redevelopment Housing Set-Aside Funds. This action resulted from State legislation enacted in 1991 that granted authority to the County's housing agency authority to ensure equitable application and use of these funds within a 15-mile radius of the City of Industry.

To date, the County's Housing Authority has awarded over \$110 million for 134 affordable and special needs housing projects which, in the aggregate, are leveraging over \$650 million in other resources. Overall, these efforts have produced over 4,600 housing units.

Approximately three years ago, Assembly Bill 618 (AB 618) was introduced as an attempt to transfer authority over the Industry housing funds to the City of Industry, and would have exempted the City from the requirement to build housing within its boundaries. On March 20, 2001, the Board took action to oppose AB 618 and instructed the County's Legislative Advocates to actively work for its defeat. AB 618 died in the Housing and Community Development Committee on May 10, 2001. Since then, the Board has adopted a policy, as part of the County's State Legislative Agenda, to oppose legislation that would jeopardize the transfer of the City of Industry Tax Increment Housing Set-Aside funds to the Housing Authority.

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This year, we understand there may be a new effort similar to AB 618 to weaken our housing program. This may occur through an amendment to another housing bill, Assembly Bill 2264 (AB 2264) sponsored by Assembly Member Ed Chavez. Given the success of the current program, there is no reason to modify the existing law.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD:

1. Oppose passage of AB 2264, as proposed to be amended, or other efforts that would weaken the Housing Authority's ability to administer Industry funds in the current effective manner; and
2. Instruct the County's Legislative Advocates to actively work for the defeat of AB 2264, as proposed to be amended; and
3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board to send a five-signature letter to the author of AB 2264, and Chairs of the Assembly Local Government and Housing and Community Development Committees, with copies to members of the Los Angeles Delegation, opposing AB 2264, as proposed to be amended.

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